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1. On 17 July 1950 it was learned that a new propaganda campaign for the Volkspolizei had been started in the SED and other mass organizations in the Soviet Zone of Germany. Each county was given a quota of men to be recruited for VP service. For example, the Central District of Berlin, which is composed of 54 street units, had to report a hundred men per street unit for VP service. *

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* Comment. The propaganda campaign for the VB, which is allegedly conducted to increase the VP strength was also taken up by East German newspapers and apparently by undercover canvassers in Western Germany. However, the figures, for instance the quota of 5,400 men to be recruited from the Central District of Berlin alone, appear exaggerated. See

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